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SUBJECT: NON-OPENING OF NEW BRIDGE ACROSS SHATT AL-ARAB

REF: BAGHDAD 1591

1. REFTEL REPORTED AUGUST 2 INAUGURATION OF NEW BRIDGE
ACROSS THE SHATT AL-ARAB RIVER AT BASRAH. HOWEVER,
USINT OFFICER WHO VISITED BASRAH SHORTLY AFTER CEREMONY
NOTED THAT ALTHOUGH BRIDGE IS INDEED IN PLACE, APPROACH
ROADS HAVE NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED AND IT IS LIKELY TO BE
SOME TIME BEFORE TRAFFIC CAN ACTUALLY USE BRIDGE.

2. THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE FACT THAT INAUGURATION
CEREMONIES IN IRAQ ARE SCHEDULED WITH GREATER ATTENTION
TO THE DESIRE FOR PUBLICITY THAN TO THE ACTUAL COMPLETION
OF THE PROJECT. PROJECT INAUGURATIONS CAN AND DO TAKE
PLACE ANY TIME BETWEEN THE LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE AND
ACTUAL COMMISSIONING.
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